GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR & RD Department – Allegations of irregularities in execution of the work "Road from (R&B) road to Bheemakrosupalem" sanctioned under PMGSY Grant" in East Godavari District - Disciplinary proceedings against Sri M.Rama Mohana Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram under Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Charges farmed – Written statement of defence received- Considered – Further action dropped - Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 9 **Dated: 06-01-2021**

Read the following:

1. Vigilance Report No.50(171.V&E/E2/2008), Dt.29.04.2013.
2. G.O.Rt.No.531, PR7RD (Vig.I) Department, Dt.07.08.2017.
3. From Sri R.Venkateswara Rao, ENC, PR, Lr.No. QC2/ VQC / 5310708/EG/2017, Dt.02.05.2019.
4. G.O.Rt.No.464, PR&RD. (Vg. I) Department, Dt: 26.07.2019.
5. Letter No. 12791/Vig. I/2017,PR&RD (Vig. I) Dept. Dt: 29.07.2019.
6. G.O.Rt.No.343, PR&RD (Vig. I) Department, Dt: 17.06.2020.
7. From the ENC,PR, Letter No. Vig. II/11046/2014, dated: 05.08.2020.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 3rd read above, Sri R. Venkateswara Rao, Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj and Inquiry Officer, while conducting regular inquiry into the charges framed against five (5) other Panchayat Raj Engineering Personnel involved into the case of allegations of irregularities in execution of the work "Road from (R&B) road to Bheemakrosupalem" sanctioned under PMGSY Grant", East Godavari District, has furnished a report regarding "excess payment of Rs.2,55,895/- which was paid in CC IInd and part bill, as mentioned in the V&E Report 1st read above. He has reported that the following three (3) Panchayat Raj Engineering Personnel are responsible as per

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M.Book entries and apportioned the above amount and to recover the same from them, as per rules in vogue :

Sl. No.	Name	Nature of lapse pointed by the E.O	Recommendations of E.O
1	Late A. Nageswara Rao, the then Asst. Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram	Bill recording officer and received the excess payment and later expired	45% (Rs.1,15,153/-) to him. Later expired on 01.02.2015.
2	Sri M. Ram Mohan Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram	Recommended for payment	15 % (Rs.38, 384/-) to him. Presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Kakinada, E.G. District
3	Sri G. Sangameshwar Rao, the then Executive Engineer (PR)	Made payment	40% (Rs.1,02,358/-) to him. Later retired in Government of Telangana.

2. Based on the above report and after examination of the matter, Government abated further action against Late A. Nageswar Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram (expired) subject to recovery of Rs.1,15,153/- from the amount due to him under Rule 9 (7) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 vide reference 4th read above. In respect of Sri G. Sangameshwar Rao, the then Executive Engineer (PR), who has made the payment and for recovery of Rs.1,02,358/-, Government transferred the relevant material to the PR&RD Department, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad for taking necessary action at their end, since the said individual was retired from service in Government of Telangana, vide reference 5th read above.

3. In respect of Sri M. Rama Mohan Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram, in the reference 6th read above, Government have framed following article of charge against him, with a direction to submit his written statement of defence :

Charge :
That Sri M.Rama Mohan Rao, while working as Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram, East Godavari District has misused his official position for his

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personal gain and submitted the bill for excess payment of Rs.2,55 895/- which was paid in CC IInd and part bills in respect of execution of the work 'Road from (R&B) road to Bheemakrosupalem" sanctioned under PMGSY grant, which is against the procedure of departmental execution of work resulting loss to the Govt. exchequer.

4. In the reference 7th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada has forwarded the written statement of defence dt:27.07.2020 of the Charged Officer, Sri M. Rama Mohan Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer (PR) to Government for taking further action in the matter.

5. In his written statement of defence, the charged officer Sri M. Rama Mohan Rao, former Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram and presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, PRI Division, Kakinada, East Godavari District, has stated that during his tenure, he executed value of work costing Rs.19,052/- only viz., for fixing of KM, HM Stones and Logo Boards which was 0.27% of the total value of work done. The Chief Engineer (PR), PMGSY issued instructions in Memo dt: 16.02.2009 that "payment should be made, whichever is less ie., as per rates approved by the O/o. the C.E, PR or as per vouchers and muster roles already available with the O/o. the S.E., PR duly comparing with the rates allowed in the recast working estimate. The purported Memo of the Chief Engineer, was not received by him. As such he was not aware of the condition stipulated therein and thus he submitted the CCIII Bill to the Executive Engineer, PR. The Charged Officer has enclosed copy of the inward and outward registers of O/o. the S.E,PR, Kakinada and O/o. the O/o. the E.E, PR Division, Rajahmundry for the period from 01.01.2009 to 31.03.2009 in support of his contention. He has remitted his share of Rs.38,384/- to the PMGSY Head of Account through Demand Draft No. 446617, dt:27.07.2020 of Andhra Bank, Veerabhadrapuram, Rajamahendravaram and enclosed a copy of the D.D and requested to consider his defence statement and to drop further action against him, as he is at the verge of retirement.

6. Government have examined the matter and observed that the Vigilance & Enforcement Department in their report 1st read above, has made certain other PR Engineering Personnel as responsible for certain irregularities and in respect of Sri M. Rama Mohan Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, no specific irregularities were reported. Considering the written statement of defence of the charged officer that he executed the work costing Rs.19,052/- only, which is 0.27% of the total value of work done and also remittance of his share of Rs.38,384/- to

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PMGSY Account on 27.7.2020 through D.D in Andhra Bank, Rajamahendravaram, Government have taken a decision to consider the written statement of defence of Charged Officer and to drop further action against the charged officer.

7. Accordingly, Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby drop further action against Sri M. Rama Mohan Rao, former Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram and presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Kakinada, E.G District in the matter.

8. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, shall take further necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M. Rama Mohan Rao, former Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Ramachandrapuram and presently working as Deputy Executive Engineer, PR, Kakinada, East Godavari District
through Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P. Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P., Vijayawada.

Copy to:-

The Secretary to VC, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER